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historic Anders	on (Carnegie) Memo	rial Library		-
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2. Loca	ntion			
street & number	The Way College o	f Emporia, 1300 Wes	t 12th Avenue	not for publication
city, town Em	nporia	vicinity of		
state Kans	sas cod	e 20 county	Lyon	code 111
3. Clas	sification			
Category districtX building(s) structure site object	Ownership public both Public Acquisition _N/Ain process _N/Abeing considered	Status X occupied unoccupied work in progress Accessible X yes: restricted yes: unrestricted	Present Use agriculture commercial X educational entertainment government industrial military	museum park private residence religious scientific transportation other:
4. Own	er of Prope	rtv		
name The W	Way College of Empo	ria		
street & number	1300 West 12th A	venue		
city, town En	nporia	vicinity of	state	Kansas 66801
5. Loca	ation of Leg	al Description	on	
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city, town En	nporia		state	Kansas 66801
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depository for su	rvey records Kansas St	ate Historical Soci	ety, 120 West 10th	Street
	peka			Kansas 66612

7. Description

Condition X excellent	deteriorated	Check one unaltered	Check one X_ original site
good fair	ruins unexposed	altered	moved date

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

The Anderson (Carnegie) Memorial Library (c. 1902) is located on The Way College of Emporia, Emporia, Lyon County, Kansas (pop. 25,287). The one and two-story, rusticated limestone block, Neo-Classical building stands near the center of the campus. Its facade orientation is south. The building measures approximately ninety-four feet from east to west and sixty-nine feet from north to south. The building retains its original function as a library.

The one and two-story, rusticated limestone block building sits on a raised foundation. Two, one-story, gable units flank a center, two-story, domed unit. A one-story, pedimented pavilion projects from the facade's center bay and a one-story, gable roofed unit projects from the rear elevation's center bay. Three bays comprise the building's facade and rear, it is two bays deep. A corbelled, rusticated limestone block chimney projects from the northern elevation's gable roofed unit.

The two-story, center core's dome is roofed with copper shingles, the core's second level roof is covered with standing seam copper. These two treatments replicate the original roof treatment and were installed in the late 1970s and early 1980s, replacing deteriorated copper. The one-story units which project from the core and the pedimented pavilion are roofed with asphalt shingles dating from the 1930s. It is speculated that the original roof treatment on these wings and the pediment was standing seam copper.

The two-story core is surmounted by a gently rounded dome with a pointed top. A Classical wooden entablature ornaments the dome, 1/1 double hung windows separated by single Ionic columnettes pierce the dome's wooden body. The second level of the core is ornamented with a wooden Classical entablature. Large copper flowerettes ornament the second level's four corners. Elliptical rusticated limestone window surrounds with keystones form the fenestration in the two outer corners of the second level's south, east, and west elevations. Most of the elliptical windows are stained glass. A single, 1/1 double hung window with a stained glass transom pierces the outer corner of the northern elevation's second level. The two-story core holds the first level landing area and the second level lounge and offices.

The projecting, pedimented pavilion contains a recessed, transomed, double wooden door flanked by two-fixed windows in the recession's angle. A centered pair of limestone, Ionic columns and the rusticated limestone outer walls support the wooden Classical tympanum and the wooden Classical entablature which underscores it. Limestone Ionic half columns project from the pavilion's outer walls into the recessed doorway space. The name "Anderson Memorial" is attached to the entablature's frieze. A bronze plaque commemorating Carnegie dating from the time of the building's construction is attached to the east of the doorway. An elliptical rusticated limestone window surround with a keystone pierces the east and west walls of the pavilion. Stone steps lead up to the building.

The east and west gable roofed, one bay wings which project from the center core pick up the wooden, Classical entablature which ornaments the pavilion. Classically carved wooden tympanums similar to the pavilion's ornament the gable ends of these units. Five

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fixed windows with stained glass transoms comprise the first level fenestration of the wing's north and south elevations. Four fixed windows with stained glass transoms pierce each gable end. This fenestration results from the 1970s and 1980s restoration of the library, when the original 1/1 double hung windows were replaced with the fixed windows. The stained glass transoms are original although they were cut down slightly to fit the new fixed windows. Three above grade windows pierce the foundation walls of the wing's north and south elevations. Four above grade windows pierce the foundation walls of the gable ends. These wings hold the library's first level reading rooms.

The rear wing holds the stacks. It is spaced slightly away from the main building. A plain wooden entablature ornaments the wing's east and west elevations. Five fixed windows pierce the wing's east and west elevations, four above grade windows pierce the foundation walls on these sides. A basement entry pierces the northeastern corner of the northern elevation.

The interior of the library maintains its original three-bay floor plan with a vestibule entrance. Barrel vaults resting on Ionic columns define the first level's central space. Pressed tin ceilings ornament the east and west reading rooms. Pressed tin also ornaments the second floor ceiling. The building's original wooden doors, door and window surrounds, staircases, shelves, pillars are retained for the most part; several new doors and counters were created to match existing features in the 1970s and 1980s restoration. The basement was gutted and redone in pine during this period. The building retains its original light fixtures on the first and second levels, as well as its original stained glass transoms and elliptical lights.

8. Significance

1400–1499 1500–1599 1600–1699 1700–1799		community planning conservation economics X education	military music philosophy	science sculpture X social/ humanitarian theater
Specific dates	c.1902	Builder/Architect Char	cles W. Squires - Ar	chitect

Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

The Anderson (Carnegie) Memorial Library (c. 1902) is being nominated to the National Register as part of the Carnegie Libraries of Kansas thematic resources nomination (c. 1902-1921) at the local level of significance under criteria A and C for its historical association with the Carnegie Corporation Library Building Program and for its architectural significance as a new building type. The College of Emporia, now the Way College of Emporia, was founded in 1882. The college received their \$30,000.00 Carnegie Library grant in 1900, library construction was completed in 1902. The Anderson (Carnegie) Memorial Library is an example of the Neo-Classical style.

Sixty-three Carnegie funded libraries were built in Kansas during the first three decades of the Twentieth Century; four of these libraries were built on college campuses. In most cases, the Carnegie funded library represented the community's first library building although many Kansas communities had book clubs and library organizations well before the Carnegie Corporation Library Building Program was founded. In the case of the four college libraries, the building represented the first structure which was solely devoted to housing the institution's books and providing study space. Carnegie did not solicit interest in the program, with the exception of the Anderson (Carnegie) Memorial Library which was built by Carnegie as a memorial to his friend John Anderson and was the first college library nationally to receive Carnegie funding. Communities initiated contact with the corporation by letter, indicating their desire for a Carnegie funded library. If the Corporation responded favorably to the request, a firm local commitment to the program's requirements, which generally resulted in a public election in support of the library, followed. Obviously these actions represented a perceived need within the community for a library building and the Carnegie Corporation Library Building Program represented an excellent way to secure the funds to build one. Many of the Carnegie Libraries built in Kansas reflect the high space utilization design guidelines promoted by the Carnegie Corporation after 1910, underscoring the point that before the Carnegie Corporation Library Building Program, few architects and/or builders had experience designing this building type.

Twenty-eight Carnegie Libraries are included in this nomination (see inventory). Twelve Carnegie Libraries have been listed individually on the National Register: Argentine, Case Library (Baker University, Baldwin City), Caldwell, Dodge City, Emporia, Goodland, Lawrence, Leavenworth, Newton, Ottawa, Parsons, and Pittsburg. The Carnegie Library at Arkansas City is included in a downtown historic district. Thirteen Carnegie Libraries have been demolished: Great Bend, Halstead, Hays, Iola, Kansas City, McPherson, Morrison Library (Fairmont College, Wichita), Olathe, Osawatomie, Plainville, Russell, Salina, and Washington. Five Carnegie Libraries have been altered enough to make them ineligible for the National Register: Abilene, Garden City, Hiawatha, Lyons, and Stockton. (The nominations for the Concordia, Eureka, Independence, and Winfield libraries were deferred.) Twenty-two of the nominated libraries retain their original function. All of the buildings are in use or have an active use planned for them. The

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nominated libraries maintain a high to moderate degree of architectural and structural integrity.

Industrialist Andrew Carnegie (1835-1919) and the Carnegie Corporation significantly influenced the development and expansion of public library systems worldwide. Between 1886 and 1921 Carnegie funds assisted in the construction of 1,681 city and 108 college libraries in the United States. As a region, the Mid-West, Kansas included, did not have a well established public library system until the Carnegie Program and ranks highest in the number of communities which obtained Carnegie Libraries nationwide. Out of the forty-six states to participate in the library building program, Kansas ranks approximately eleventh in the number of Carnegie Libraries built. For many Kansas communities, the Carnegie Library represented its first library building, providing an environment that all members of the community could share for the purposes of reading, learning, and education.

Eligibility for Carnegie Library funds rested on several factors. Firstly, the population of the community had to exceed 1,000; in Kansas this indicated at least a second class city status. This population requirement generally resulted in county seat communities applying for and receiving Carnegie Libraries. Some communities with populations less than 1,000 banded together with neighboring communities to achieve the 1,000 mark and applied for township libraries, as in the case of the Peabody and Canton Township libraries. In the case of college libraries this constraint may not have applied, although the four Kansas colleges to receive Carnegie libraries were located in cities which had populations in excess of 1,000 by 1900. Secondly, the applicant had to provide a site for the library. The sites tended to be one or two blocks outside of the community's main business district. Thirdly, the applicant had to provide an annual endowment for the maintenance and improvement of the library which amounted to at least ten percent of the initial grant from the Carnegie Corporation.

This last factor contributed to the ending of the Carnegie Library Building Program in 1917, although grants for books and other improvements continued for several more decades. An inherent problem for second class cities in Kansas was the .4 mill levy restriction for libraries, making it difficult for some communities to meet the annual ten percent maintenance appropriation solely through public dollars. In 1917 the Kansas State legislature increased the library levy to .5 mill for second and third class cities, an amendment which affected most of the communities in the State that had Carnegie Libraries. In 1916, large communities such as Topeka, Wichita, Hutchinson, and Leavenworth had library mill levies of 1.06, 1.2, 1.8, and 3.5 respectively. In Kansas, the average public library grant was \$12,000 and the average college library grant was \$37,000. These monies covered the cost of the building, the necessary furniture and fixtures, and the architects' fees.

Prior to 1910, the Carnegie Corporation did not provide design guidelines for the libraries that it funded and because the library was a relatively new building type, few architects and/or builders had experience with its design. Many of the early libraries were expensive examples of the Beaux Arts style with little focus on floor plan and space

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efficiency. In 1910, Carnegie's personal secretary James Bertram developed model specifications and floorplans for proposed libraries, entitling his work <u>Notes on Library Buildings</u>. The <u>Notes on Library Buildings</u> provided the first widely circulated guidelines for library design in this country.

Bertram wrote:

Small libraries should be pland (sic) so that one librarian can oversee the entire library from a central position.... The bilding (sic) should be devoted exclusively to: (main floor) housing of books and their issue for home use; comfortable accomodations for reading them by adults and children; (basement) lecture room; necessary accommodation for heating plant; also all conveniences for the library patrons and staff. Experience seems to sho (sic) that the best results for a small general library are obtained by adopting the one-story and basement rectangular type of bilding (sic), with a small vestibule entering into one large room sub-divided as required by means of bookcases.... The rear and side windows may be kept about six feet from the floor, to giv (sic) continuous wall space for shelving. A rear wing can be added for stack-room (when future need demands it) at a minimum expense, and without seriously interfering with the library servis (sic) during its construction. The site chosen should be such as to admit lite (sic) on all sides, and be large enuf (sic) to allow extension, if ever such should become necessary.

The thirty-six Carnegie Libraries built in Kansas after 1910 reflect Bertram's precedents, exhibiting high space utilization, and often including full basements, although the raised basement is a design element employed in the earlier libraries as well. Most of these one-story libraries exhibit a three bay, Neo-Classical facade with a projecting central pedimented entry pavilion and are one bay deep. The use of native limestone is evident in some of the libraries but the most common material combination is brick with a limestone foundation. While there is some tendency toward a vernacular interpretation to the design ornamentation of these libraries, the general approach verges on high style.

Correspondence between the Carnegie Corporation and the library boards from the Kansas communities that received Carnegie Libraries indicates that the designs for these libraries were carefully scrutinized by Bertram and in many cases, were resubmitted several times before meeting his requirements. Upon the completion of a library, the library board was instructed to send a full set of blueprints and elevations of the building to the Corporation. However, recent correspondence between the Kansas State Historical Society and the Carnegie Corporation reveals that the Corporation does not have blueprints of the Kansas libraries. The Corporation does have some library photographs but the collection is not inclusive.

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Three architects were particularly active in the design of Kansas Carnegie Libraries: George P. Washburn of Ottawa, Kansas designed nine, A. T. Simmons of Bloomington, Illinois designed six, and William Warren Rose of Kansas City, Kansas designed four. Washburn's libraries are primarily of the standard three-bay, Neo-Classical variety. His firm is credited with the Carnegie libraries in Burlington, Canton, Cherryvale, Columbus, Eureka, Halstead, Osawatomie, Ottawa, and Sterling. Simmons engaged in a more eclectic approach, designing libraries in Abilene, Chanute, Council Grove, Downs, Hays and Yates Center. Rose is credited with the classically inspired libraries in Argentine, Kansas City, Manhattan, and Newton. In Kansas, many Kansas based architects were commissioned to design Carnegie Libraries as well as architects from Illinois, Missouri, Nebraska, and Texas.

Today, many of the state's Carnegie Libraries are facing serious space shortages. The alternatives of adding on or vacating both present preservation problems. Additions to these libraries must be such that the building's original character is not altered. Vacating the library for a larger facility leaves the problem of an empty building, in some communities county historical societies have inherited the empty Carnegie Library. In any event, when these buildings are no longer recognized from a design standpoint as Carnegie Libraries, their architectural significance ceases.

Inventory of Carnegie Libraries in Kansas

	SITE	DATE	INVENTORY NUMBER
1.	Anthony Public (Carnegie) Library (Harper County) 104 N. Springfield Anthony, Kansas 67003 Owner: City of Anthony Lots 22,23,24; Block 34.	c. 1911	77-0180- 0003 -
2.	Burlington Carnegie Free Library (Coffey County) 201 N. Third Burlington, Kansas 66839 Owner: City of Burlington Lots 8,9; Block 35.	c. 1912	31-0690-0015
3.	Canton Township Carnegie Library (McPherson County) Box 336 Canton, Kansas 67428 Owner: Canton Township Lots 7,8,9,10,11; Block 2.	c. 1921	113-0790-0001
4.	Chanute Public (Carnegie) Library (Neosho County) 102 S. Lincoln Chanute, Kansas 66720 Owner: City of Chanute Lots 2,3; Block 39.	c. 1906	133-0870-0067
5.	Cherryvale Public (Carnegie) Library (Montgomery County) 329 E. Main Cherryvale, Kansas 67335 Owner: City of Cherryvale Lots 7,8; Block 39.	c. 1913	0930-0005 125 -0939-0006
6.	Clay Center Carnegie Library (Clay County) 706 Sixth Street Clay Center, Kansas 67432 Owner: City of Clay Center Lots 12,13; Block 36.	c. 1912	27-0980-0008

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7.	Coffeyville Carnegie Public Library Building (Montgomery County) 415 West 8th Coffeyville, Kansas 67337 Owner: City of Coffeyville Lots 7,8; Block 47.	c. 1912	125 -2670- 0019
8.	Columbus Public (Carnegie) Library (Cherokee County) 205 N. Kansas Columbus, Kansas 66725 Owner: City of Columbus Lots 9,10; Block 9.	c. 1913	21-1100-0008
9.	Council Grove (Carnegie) Library (Morris County) 303 W. Main Street Council Grove, Kansas 66846 Owner: City of Council Grove Lots 1,2,3; Block 19.	c. 1917	127-1180-0074
10.	Downs Carnegie Library (Osborne County) 504 S. Morgan Downs, Kansas 67437 Owner: City of Downs Lots 8-12; Block 28.	c. 1906	141-1400-0002
11.	El Dorado Carnegie Library Building (Butler County) 101 S. Star El Dorado, Kansas 67042 Owner: Dean Seeber N 4' Lot 3, Lot 4; Block 4.	c. 1912	15-1540-0004
12.	Anderson (Carnegie) Memorial Library (Lyon County) The Way College of Emporia 1300 West 12th Avenue Emporia, Kansas 66801 Owner: Way College of Emporia Located on the Way College of Emporia campus. SW, NE1/4,Sec.9,T19,R11, E. of the 6th p.m., running thence E. 76 rods, thence N. 80 rods, thence W. 76 rods, thence S 80 rods to the	c. 1902	111-1660-0002

Anderson (Carnegie) Memorial Library (Lyon County) cont.

place of beg., except a tract beg. at the S,SW1/4 Sec. 9, thence N. 670 ft., thence E. 540 ft., thence S. 250 ft, thence W. 374 ft., thence S. 420 ft., thence W. 166 ft. to the point of beg. in Lyon Co.,KS and Lots Numbered 61,63,65,67,71, and the N. 30 ft. of Lot F all in Block numbered 3, in College Hill Addition to the City of Emporia.

Kingman, Kansas 67068 Owner: City of Kingman

Lots 101,103,105; Original Town.

13.	Fort Scott Public (Carnegie) Library (Bourbon County) 201 South National Fort Scott, Kansas 66701 Owner: City of Fort Scott Lots 1,(N1/2) 3; Block 123	c. 1902	11-1830-0016
14.	Girard Carnegie Library (Crawford County) 128 W. Prairie Girard, Kansas 66743 Owner: City of Girard Lots 17,18; Block 14.	c. 1906	37-2050-0003
15.	Herington Carnegie Public Library (Dickinson County) 102 S. Broadway Herington, Kansas 67449 Owner: City of Herington Lots 2,4; Block 40.	c. 1915	41-2420-0006
16.	Hutchinson Public (Carnegie) Library Building- Labor Temple (Reno County) 427 N. Main Hutchinson, Kansas 67501 Owner: Hutchinson Labor Building Association Lots 13,14,15; Block 17.	c. 1903- 1904	155-2660-0011
17.	Kingman Carnegie Library (Kingman County) 455 N. Main	c. 1914	95-2850-0006

18.	Lincoln Carnegie Library (Lincoln County) 203 S. Third Lincoln, Kansas 67455 Owner: City of Lincoln Lot 7; Block 32.	c. 1914	105-3189-005
19.	Lyndon Carnegie Library (Osage County) 127 E. Sixth, P.O. Box 563 Lyndon, Kansas 66451 Owner: Valleybrook Township Lots 4-9; Block 22.	c. 1911	139-3360-0003
20.	Manhattan Carnegie Library Building (Riley County) Fifth and Poyntz Manhattan, Kansas 66502 Owner: Riley County Board of Commissioners Lot 413; Ward 2.	c. 1904	161-3490-0016
21.	Osborne Public (Carnegie) Library (Osborne County) Third and Main Osborne, Kansas 67473 Owner: City of Osborne All of Block 12.	c. 1913	141-4230-0006
22.	Oswego Public (Carnegie) Library (Labette County) 704 Fourth Street Oswego, Kansas 67356 Owner: City of Oswego Lots 1,2,3,4; Block 32.	c. 1912	99-4250-0010
23.	Peabody Township Carnegie Library (Marion County) 214 Walnut Peabody, Kansas 66866 Owner: Peabody Township Lots 80,82,84 on Walnut.	c. 1914	115-4410-0024
24.	Sterling Free Public (Carnegie) Library (Rice County) 132 N. Broadway Sterling, Kansas 67579 Owner: City of Sterling Lots 182,184,186,188 on Broadway.	c. 1917	159-5225-0006

25.	Washburn University Carnegie Library Building (Shawnee County) (Education Building) Topeka, Kansas 66621 Owner: Washburn University of Topeka SW1/4, NW 1/4, NE 1/4, SW1/4, S1,T12, R15E	c. 1904	177-5400-0017
26.	Wellington Carnegie Library (Sumner County) 121 W. Seventh Wellington, Kansas 67152 Owner: City of Wellington Lots 13,14,15,16,17; Block 53.	c. 1916	191–5730– 0012
27.	Wichita City (Carnegie) Library Building (Sedgwick County) 220 S. Main Street Wichita, Kansas 67202 Owner: City of Wichita Lots 24,26,28,30,32,34,36 & 1/2 Vac. Alley Adj. on E. & Vac. Alley Ly. N. Lot 24 Exc. Beg. SE Cor. Lot 34 W 33.98 Ft. N. 100.56 Ft. W. 16.75 Ft. N. 9 Ft. Nwly. 15.36 Ft. W. 6.5 Ft. N. 10 Ft. W. 49 Ft. S. 25 Ft. W. 25 Ft. N. 58.66 Ft. E. to Cen. Li. Vac. Alley on E. Th. S. 115.56 Ft. W. 8 Ft. to SE Cor. Lot 30 S. to Beg. Main St. Greiffenstein's Add.	c. 1915	173-5880-0004
28.	Yates Center (Carnegie) Library (Woodson County) 218 N. Main Yates Center, Kansas 66783 Owner: City of Yates Center Lots 4,5,6; Block 27.	c. 1912	207-6010-0007

9. Major Bibliog phical Reference

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Keeper of the National Regis	ter			
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Chief of Registration				

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